



Lieutenant Brandon Reed

Investigations Officer
Sector New York
United States Coast Guard



Lieutenant Brandon Reed, originally from Shawnee, OK, obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management Information Systems and Information Assurance in 2009. He Enlisted in the Coast Guard in 2012 and was assigned to his first unit the CGC SANGAMON. Throughout this assignment, he became an expert at servicing Aids to Navigation, including the modernization of over 200 miles of signal lights systems. His next assignment was a Pollution Responder at MSU Texas City, where he enforced environmental regulations, responded to discharges of hazardous chemicals and petroleum products, and coordinated multiple marine salvage operations.

In 2016, Lieutenant Reed was selected for Officer Candidate School. After earning his commission, he was assigned to Sector / Air Station Corpus Christi as a Command Duty Officer. In this role he was the lead interagency law enforcement coordination for interdiction operations on US/MEX boarder and oversaw 115 Search and Rescue mission helping over 200 people in distress.

After his tour as a Command Duty Officer, Lieutenant Reed, pivoted career paths and served for three years as an Apprentice Marine Inspector at Sector New York. Here he honed his inspections skills on a wide variety of foreign and domestic vessels. He was selected to fill the newly established role of Inspected Towing Vessel Branch Chief. Where he ensured a fleet of 265 towing vessels came into compliance with the newly implemented Subchapter M regulations.

Currently Lieutenant Reed serves as an Investigating Officer for Sector New York Investigations Division, where his primary duty is investigating marine casualties. These include collisions, allisions, groundings, sinkings, fires, injuries, and deaths on commercial vessels in nation's largest port with \$240 billion in cargo, 550,000 vessel arrivals and 60 million passengers carried annually.

His personal awards include Humanitarian Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, two Letters of Commendation, Coast Guard Achievement Medal, and the Coast Guard Commendation Medal.

Lieutenant Reed is happily married to his wife of 14 years, Alisa. They also have two children and enjoy going on adventures together.